

# Me? An Evangelist?

A former tax-collector, a political activist, and some fisherman — eleven common Hebrew men. No organization, no real resources to speak of, but abounding in faith concerning the promises of Jesus

Christ. These first century citizens of Palestine were charged (yes, commanded) by our Lord to do what seems impossible — go evangelize the world. What an awesome task — what an awesome responsibility! Here we are today because of their continued faith.

Each of the eleven, with the addition of two more men, served their Master nobly, fulfilling His command and dedicating their lives, and the lives of their families, to bringing the gospel of Christ to the nations.

The challenge (yes, read as a “command”) comes to us through the centuries. We must evangelize the world. An impossible task you say? Where do you place your faith? We must not allow our family and loved ones, nor even strangers near and far, to pass from this life into eternity without hearing the good news — that Jesus will save them from their soul condemning sins IF they respond to His invitation.

Are you an evangelist?

If your initial response is “no,” you may want to consider what that response means. If you have been saved from your sins, then it is expected that you will help find others for the Savior to save. After all, He saved you, didn't He? He can save any who hear, repent, confess, submit to baptism, and remain faithful unto death.

The term “evangelist” comes from the Greek words meaning “well” or “good” and “message” or “news.” An evangelist shares or proclaims good news. The term is used in the New Testament in a restricted sense — equivalent to a gospel preacher, a minister (see Acts 21:8; Ephesians 4:11; and 2 Timothy 4:5 in their respective context). In this sense a woman cannot serve as an evangelist (1 Corinthians 14:34; 1 Timothy 2:12). However, in a general use of the term “evangelist,” any person, male or female, who brings the gospel to others through various means, is an evangelist. And every Christian should be involved, in some way, in spreading the gospel of Jesus Christ through evangelism.

Me? An evangelist? Yes indeed...

**GO!**

**wanted**  
fishers of men  
if you catch them...  
jesus will clean them.

**See Matthew 28:18-20**

**Bday/Anniv Lunch:** ...when we can!

**Bible Study:** Consider your study of God's Word (2 Timothy 2:15) Make time to learn some Scripture that may apply to your life today...

**NMCCH:** collecting aluminum foil and kitchen trash bags (pick up is later...)

— THANK YOU for reading!